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** MEDIA ALERT **

HOUSTON CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY CRAFT HOSTS FREE SPRING BREAK ACTIVITIES

Monday - Friday, March 14 - 18, 2022

WHAT:

HCCC Spring Break

During HISD's Spring Break week, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft (HCCC) offers free hands-on making and other activities that encourage visitors, ages three and up, to explore craft and art making. Although it's normally closed on Mondays, HCCC will be open all week for this event.

Each day of the week, from 10 AM – 1 PM, participants can experiment with different materials, tools, and techniques, through hands-on activities, demonstrated by teaching artists and volunteers. Families are also invited to spend time in the galleries, sketching, looking at art, and talking with experienced docents. Visitors can explore the current exhibition, *Nothing Goes to Waste*, which showcases artists who find exciting ways to reuse and repurpose materials, scraps, and castoffs through ingenuity. Visitors will also have the opportunity to explore the <u>resident artists</u>' studios to gain insight into the inspirations and artistic processes of working artists. HCCC Spring Break is free and open to the public.

WHEN:

Monday - Friday, March 14 - 18, 2022 Hands-on Activities: 10 AM - 1 PM Open Hours for Museum: 10 AM - 5 PM

WHERE:

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft 4848 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77002

EVENT WEB PAGE:

https://crafthouston.org/events/hccc-spring-break-2022/

MORE INFO:

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES (Available from 10 AM – 1 PM Each Day)

Monday, March 14: From Junk to Jewelry

Tuesday, March 15: Nature-Inspired Trading Cards

Wednesday, March 16: Eco-Printed Silk

Thursday, March 17: Marbled-Clay Pinch Pots Friday, March 18: Needle-Felted Skyscapes

Hands-on activities require about 25 minutes to be completed. Activities will take place indoors and are on a first-come, first-served basis, while supplies last. The event is subject to change or cancellation in response to current COVID-19 conditions. All participants must wear a mask when inside the building and practice social distancing. Families and children, ages three and up, are welcome to participate. Materials are provided, and teaching artists and volunteers

give step-by-step instruction. Spring Break and Hands-on Houston events are generously supported by Strake Foundation.

ABOUT HCCC:

Celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft (HCCC) is a nonprofit visual arts center dedicated to advancing education about the process, product, and history of craft. HCCC continues to serve as a treasured resource in the Houston arts community and the region by showcasing emerging and acclaimed artists in exhibitions, introducing visitors of all ages to contemporary craft through hands-on and virtual programming, and supporting the development of working artists through its artist residency program.

HCCC is open Tuesday - Saturday, 10 AM – 5 PM. Admission is free. Closed major holidays. HCCC is located in the Museum District at 4848 Main Street, three blocks south of the Wheeler Ave. MetroRail station. Free parking is available directly behind the facility, off Rosedale and Travis Street.

Before visiting, the public should view the Center's <u>visitor guidelines</u>, including the requirement to wear face masks and practice social distancing throughout the building. All programs and events are subject to change or cancellation in response to current COVID-19 conditions.

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